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AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS
TO MARK 30th ANNIVERSARY

Ernest Pappenfus, project engineer with the Collins Radio Company of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, will address the nineteenth annual president's dinner of the Milwaukee Radio Amateur's Club on Saturday, May 28th. The meeting will be held at the Milwaukee Athletic Club.

"This month we are celebrating our 30th year of affiliation with the American Radio Relay League," it was announced by George C. Bowen, president. "The MRAC is the oldest continually active amateur radio organization in the world," Bowen added.

More than 400 amateur radio operators, radio station engineers and other persons engaged in the radio art are expected to attend the meeting. "We were extremely fortunate to obtain Mr. Pappenfus as our speaker on this occasion," said H. E. Saxton, dinner chairman, "as he is an outstanding authority who has achieved nation-wide

attention for his developments in the field of radio teletype. He will demonstrate new techniques of this fascinating art and show how messages can be sent over great distances by radio waves with only a typewriter keyboard in sight. The fact that this is the 30th year of affiliation with the national organization for the MRAC points up the misconception most people have for the average amateur radio operator," Saxton asserted. "They look at the 'ham operator' as a rattle-brained kid playing with 'too much electricity.' Actually the average age of MRAC is 34 years, and the roster contains the names of some of Milwaukee's best known businessmen. Many doctors, lawyers, the vice-president of our largest bank, a brewery executive, and many other businessmen well beyond their college days are active members of the amateur fraternity here. These men, as well as the newcomers in the field, study the latest developments in the radio art as they are revealed, and provide a reservoir of trained radio operators as well as a network of emergency radio stations ready to serve the public at a moment's notice."

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